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MACHINERY ON RURAL HOLDINGS

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

MARCH 1961

SCOPE This bulletin summarizes information concerning machinery on rural holdings in South Australia gathered in annual collections of agricultural and pastoral statistics. The first table shows numbers of farm machines and implements on holdings in March of 1950 and each of the years 1958 to 1961. The second table shows the number of rural holdings and the numbers of machines and implements in each county in South Australia in March 1961. Obsolete machines and those unlikely to be used again have been excluded from both tables.

TABLE 1 - MACHINERY ON RURAL HOLDINGS, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 1950  
and 1958-61

Type of Machine	1950	1958	1959	1960	1961
Tractors -					
Wheeled	11,184	24,100	25,342	25,774	27,269
Crawler	2,525	3,188	3,190	3,191	3,405
Rotary hoes	1,108	3,507	4,015	4,106	4,620
Fertilizer distributors	3,393	6,895	7,545	7,695	8,000
Grain drills -					
Combine type	12,030	14,084	14,716	14,973	14,893
Other types	4,760	4,368	4,562	4,635	4,867
Headers, strippers, and harvesters	13,605	13,024	13,053	13,006	12,799
Hay presses (stationary)	) 860	689	715	700	719
Hay balers (pick-up )	)	2,184	2,732	2,941	3,422
Hay rakes	6,722	n.a.	6,060	n.a.	n.a.
Mowers	5,028	n.a.	8,313	n.a.	n.a.
Potato diggers	365	n.a.	624	n.a.	n.a.
Ploughs	n.a.	36,069	35,472	n.a.	33,994
Milking machines -					
No. of units. 1	400	1,356	1,389	1,403	1,387
2	2,133	3,790	3,877	3,878	3,861
3	1,092	1,179	1,182	1,190	1,153
4	434	679	729	721	756
5	73	110	105	110	116
6 and over	66	230	255	273	316
Total machines	4,198	7,344	7,537	7,575	7,589
Total units	10,447	17,206	17,777	17,920	18,235
Shearing machines -					
No. of stands. 1	2,384	4,628	4,842	4,884	5,076
2	3,498	6,867	7,085	7,166	7,312
3	552	1,224	1,241	1,299	1,321
4	214	369	404	400	378
5	63	68	87	90	88
6 and over	135	124	119	134	142
Total machines	6,846	13,280	13,778	13,973	14,317
Total stands	13,253	24,697	25,586	26,049	26,568

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TABLE 2 - MACHINERY ON RURAL HOLDINGS, COUNTIES, SOUTH AUSTRALIA, MARCH 1961

County/STATISTICAL DIVISION	Rural Holdings	Tractors		Rotary Hoes	Drills & Combines	Fertilizer Distributors	Harves- ters (a)
		Wheel	Crawler				
Adelaide	5,352	2,861	628	1,553	921	1,271	295
Carnarvon	434	421	118	30	236	323	141
Eyre	500	377	30	17	366	48	370
Fergusson	903	1,302	138	122	1,140	200	915
Gawler	973	873	35	186	854	97	631
Hindmarsh	1,697	1,492	177	173	752	940	252
Light	1,579	1,276	61	185	1,045	328	782
Sturt	1,225	1,035	76	170	794	326	451
CENTRAL	12,663	9,637	1,263	2,436	6,108	3,533	3,837
Burra	226	212	41	20	179	36	141
Daly	992	1,348	49	165	1,288	180	887
Kimberley	64	46	16	2	34	3	19
Stanley	1,173	1,296	117	156	1,237	279	819
Victoria	935	962	71	211	892	150	680
LOWER NORTH	3,390	3,864	294	554	3,630	648	2,546
Dalhousie	370	337	41	35	275	34	236
Frome	629	615	85	124	579	84	427
Herbert	51	30	8	-	10	-	2
Newcastle	95	85	8	7	58	2	64
Other Counties	126	76	21	7	27	3	16
UPPER NORTH	1,271	1,143	163	173	949	123	745
Buckingham	608	693	86	69	523	411	370
Cardwell	198	232	58	20	174	112	99
Grey	1,922	1,352	113	176	537	777	87
MacDonnell	538	567	171	88	324	291	169
Robe	980	923	130	138	469	476	162
SOUTH EASTERN	4,246	3,767	558	491	2,027	2,067	887
Buxton	177	303	68	16	317	22	216
Dufferin	77	111	21	-	143	17	118
Flinders	560	788	175	159	746	349	507
Jervois	645	1,103	179	131	1,145	166	813
Kintore	41	59	7	-	67	9	42
Le Hunte	213	349	43	38	372	33	257
Musgrave	260	389	55	57	373	95	256
Robinson	238	363	89	17	402	40	317
Way	123	201	36	6	222	14	182
Other Counties	69	51	37	5	55	4	32
WESTERN	2,403	3,717	710	429	3,842	749	2,740
Albert	853	938	37	149	607	113	384
Alfred	743	873	24	93	583	104	333
Buccleuch	609	812	148	34	842	194	615
Chandos	436	586	52	58	535	96	401
Hamley	1,451	1,292	19	158	168	214	20
Russell	445	495	67	32	428	153	264
Young	56	62	11	7	36	6	25
MURRAY Mallee	4,593	5,058	358	531	3,199	880	2,042
Outside of Counties	145	83	59	6	5	-	2
WHOLE STATE	28,711	27,269	3,405	4,620	19,760	8,000	12,799

(a) Includes headers and strippers, but excludes forage harvesters.





TABLE 2 - MACHINERY ON RURAL HOLDINGS, COUNTIES, SOUTH AUSTRALIA, MARCH 1961 (continued)

County/STATISTICAL DIVISION	Hay Balers	Hay Presses	Milking Machines		Shearing Machines		Ploughs All Types
			Machines	Units	Machines	Stands	
Adelaide	256	153	1,204	3,202	713	1,006	4,452
Carnarvon	49	23	111	210	321	613	549
Eyre	46	16	124	260	261	438	487
Fergusson	189	15	298	490	620	1,282	1,445
Gawler	154	11	290	612	490	788	1,097
Hindmarsh	288	98	885	2,442	666	1,109	1,816
Light	143	65	430	908	568	917	2,028
Sturt	156	46	396	1,367	521	910	1,163
CENTRAL	1,281	427	3,738	9,491	4,160	7,063	13,037
Burra	30	8	34	58	227	452	247
Daly	238	12	304	529	721	1,384	1,648
Kimberley	3	2	7	13	71	157	60
Stanley	256	36	416	777	798	1,444	1,683
Victoria	181	23	264	525	615	1,172	1,191
LOWER NORTH	708	81	1,025	1,902	2,432	4,609	4,829
Dalhousie	51	7	95	179	302	568	377
Frome	95	8	158	268	389	728	805
Herbert	1	1	2	3	60	130	25
Newcastle	4	6	3	5	78	165	105
Other Counties	-	1	8	12	179	417	53
UPPER NORTH	151	23	266	467	1,008	2,008	1,365
Buckingham	142	14	145	271	481	988	688
Cardwell	42	5	27	63	131	322	225
Grey	327	45	931	3,128	933	1,609	1,524
MacDonnell	86	16	112	248	383	777	651
Robe	144	15	293	669	719	1,384	1,048
SOUTH EASTERN	741	95	1,508	4,379	2,647	5,080	4,136
Buxton	11	3	25	34	141	240	333
Dufferin	1	-	4	6	80	151	140
Flinders	83	6	136	200	482	932	896
Jervois	77	10	148	198	565	992	1,132
Kintore	3	2	11	14	53	100	57
Le Hunte	15	2	42	65	175	311	354
Musgrave	42	4	34	43	228	483	340
Robinson	23	3	37	54	207	413	400
Way	-	1	19	28	121	222	192
Other Counties	-	-	5	14	110	248	52
WESTERN	255	31	461	656	2,162	4,092	3,896
Albert	22	10	57	115	274	488	1,106
Alfred	49	9	69	123	233	383	1,276
Buccleuch	59	16	146	268	490	835	805
Chandos	70	5	74	130	315	543	624
Hamley	12	7	39	75	55	92	2,299
Russell	65	13	201	619	244	436	542
Young	8	2	3	7	31	62	63
MURRAY MALLEE	285	62	589	1,337	1,642	2,839	6,715
Outside of Counties	1	-	2	3	266	877	16
WHOLE STATE	3,422	719	7,589	18,235	14,317	26,568	33,994

Date		Description		Amount	
1917	Jan 1	Balance		100.00	
1917	Jan 15	Received from A. B. C.		50.00	
1917	Feb 1	Received from D. E. F.		25.00	
1917	Mar 1	Received from G. H. I.		75.00	
1917	Apr 1	Received from J. K. L.		100.00	
1917	May 1	Received from M. N. O.		150.00	
1917	Jun 1	Received from P. Q. R.		200.00	
1917	Jul 1	Received from S. T. U.		250.00	
1917	Aug 1	Received from V. W. X.		300.00	
1917	Sep 1	Received from Y. Z. A.		350.00	
1917	Oct 1	Received from B. C. D.		400.00	
1917	Nov 1	Received from E. F. G.		450.00	
1917	Dec 1	Received from H. I. J.		500.00	
1917	Dec 31	Total		2000.00	